

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A surface is sanitized by manufacturing a gaseous stream of ozone from oxygen having a purity of at least 90 vol.%, and injecting it directly into a stream of water having a pH of 6.5 - 7.5, feeding said aqueous solution of ozone into a tank which maintains a gaseous atmosphere comprising ozone over the solution, applying said aqueous solution of ozone from said tank onto a surface to be sanitized; and recovering water from said surface and recycling it to said source.